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**Jeff Bridges and Share Our Strength Contribute \$40,000 More to Montana No Kid Hungry**

HELENA – Governor Steve Bullock today announced that Academy Award winning actor Jeff Bridges and Share Our Strength have each made an additional contribution of \$20,000 to the Montana No Kid Hungry campaign. The funds will be used to bolster Bullock’s efforts to expand school breakfast options in the state, as well as support other efforts to combat childhood hunger in the state.

“Working with Jeff Bridges and Share Our Strength is helping us make a real difference in the lives of Montana students,” Bullock said of the donation. “Through these generous contributions, we’ll be able to build on our successful efforts to expand school breakfast options and combat childhood hunger across Montana.”

Last year, Bullock, Bridges and Billy Shore, the founder of Share Our Strength, toured Montana to highlight some of the innovative ways the state is working to address childhood hunger. They visited Darby School and the Billings YMCA.

“Montana is a very special place to me – I’ve been coming to the state for over 40 years. It’s hard to imagine that children in this beautiful place are not getting the meals they need and if there’s anything I can do to end that, I am on board,” said Jeff Bridges, national spokesperson for Share Our Strength’s No Kid Hungry campaign.

Over the last year, Bullock and the Montana No Kid Hungry campaign have awarded more than \$100,000 to schools in the state to start new breakfast programs or expand participation in existing programs. It is estimated that through these grants, and other efforts, more than 41,000 Montana more kids start every school day with a healthy breakfast at school.

“Research shows that kids who start their day with school breakfast have higher test scores and better attendance,” said Billy Shore, Founder and CEO of Share Our Strength. “We’re inspired by Governor Bullock’s commitment to making Montana a state where no kid goes hungry, and are excited to make this additional contribution to help further this work.”

Bridges contributions come from sales of his “Sleeping Tapes” album.

Share our Strength is a national nonprofit organization working to end childhood hunger in the U.S.

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